

Medial Radiation Advisory Council Minutes

December 2, 2015

Members	Absent Members	MSDH Staff
J. Michael Ketchum, R.T. Paula Young, R.T. Georgeine M. Conner, R. T.	Dr. Norwood Smith Dr. David B. Wheat Joyce Brewer, PhD, RN Andrew Fisher, ARRT Veeresh Michael, M.S.	F. Simkins Y. Morrow E. O'Neal V. Berryman D. Robinson

- 1. Mr. Simkins called the meeting to order. A quorum was not established.
- 2. The minutes from the meeting of January 30, 2013, were reviewed. The minutes will be submitted for approval and adoption at the next Council meeting.
- 3. Discussion was held regarding a 2015 amendment to the MRT statute. Mr. Simkins provided the Council a copy of the statute and stated that the statute now required Radiological Technologists who operate hybrid equipment (PET/CT) to also be certified in CT and if they are not currently certified, they have six months to obtain certification. The *Regulations Governing Licensure of Medical Radiation Technicians* were amended at the July 8, 2015 Board of Health meeting to reflect this change.
- 4. Mr. Simkins presented a scope of practice question that was received by the Department. The individual asked if a certified nuclear medicine technologist is performing PET/CT exams that include using the CT only for attenuation correction, not for diagnostic exposure & quality, do they need to be "dually" certified in nuclear medicine and CT? The consensus of the Council was that the individual must be dually licensed. Ms. O'Neal requested the Council draft a letter addressing this issue and offered to review the letter prior to such being sent to the inquirer. Mr. Ketchum stated he would consult with Sherri West and Dr. Edward Green at UMMC concerning this question and would submit their responses as well.

- 5. Mr. Simkins presented a set of draft bylaws for review and possible adoption by the Council. After reviewing the document, the Council requested changes and corrections be made. Ms. Morrow stated that she would make the suggested changes and email the document to each Council member for review when complete.
- 6. Ms. Morrow discussed the term membership of the Council members. She asked the members present if they were interested in serving another term. Mr. Ketchum, Ms. Young, and Ms. Conner all expressed interest in returning to the Council. Ms. Morrow stated that she would contact the necessary associations for confirmation/nominations and would submit the nominees to the Mississippi State Board of Heath for reappointment. Ms. Morrow also stated that she would contact the members who were unable to attend to ascertain their desire to remain on the Council.
- 7. Ms. Morrow informed the Council of a complaint that was resolved via a consent order.
- 8. The next meeting was scheduled for July 2016, after the Mississippi Board of Health meeting.

9. Mr. Simkins adjourned the meeting at 1:43 p.m.

MSDH Representative